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1. Szirma Airfield is commonly referred to as "Miskolc-South" field. A Hungarian ground support section with 19 to 21 PE-2 machines is now [1953] stationed at Szirma Airfield.
2. The men of this unit number 520 to 530. They are all quite young and wear light blue insignia. The unit reached the field in spring of 1953. The auto park consists of six passenger cars, six jeeps, two Ikarus buses, five tank trucks, 12 or 13 trucks. During the whole of the summer the flying personnel was away from the field, but ground units remained.
3. There is also a training unit at the field, devoted to theoretical instruction. The young men taking the courses are in their classrooms almost all day.
4. During the fall of 1953 there was attack instruction, carried through very carefully and thoroughly. Exercises were held mainly in the early morning hours, with planes working singly and in threes. There were no bombing exercises. The fliers being trained were all young men from Miskolc and the neighborhood, who received their preliminary training in 1952 at Szirmabessenyő Field.
5. Szirmabessenyő Field is usually called "Miskolc-North". It is reserved for civilian air traffic of the Maszovlet. Down to Sep 1953 there was a training unit of the civilian MRSZ (Hungarian Air Group) at the field, but it was dissolved for the winter 1953 and 1954.

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